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SUBJECT: SECVISIT - ADMINISTRATIVE LOGISTICAL ARRANGEMENTS

FOR S/S-EX

REF: STATE 25145

EXDIS CAPTION CAN BE REMOVED WHEN VISIT ANNOUNCED PUBLICLY

1. VISA, IMMIGRATION AND CUSTOMS REQUIREMENTS WILL BE
WAIVED FOR ALL PERSONNEL ABOARD SECRETARY'S AIRCRAFT. VISAS
SHOULD BE OBTAINED FOR ADVANCE GROUPS AND OTHERS.

2. OFFICE SPACE/SLEEPING ACCOMMODATIONS:

A. ATTEMPTING ARRANGE MAJORITY ACCOMMODATIONS HOTEL CARIARI
WITH SPILLOVER TO HERRADURA INN (LOCATED APPROXIMATELY ONE BLOCK
AWAY FROM CARIARI). PRESENTLY HAVE CONFIRMED ONE SUITE,
TWENTY-EIGHT (28) SINGLES AND OFFICE SPACE AT CARIARI
IN NEW PORTION SCHEDULED TO OPEN FEBRUARY 15. THIS IS
AREA SELECTED BY ASST. SECRETARY ROGERS.

B. TENTATIVE ROOM ASSIGNMENTS ARE AS FOLLOWS. (IMAGINE
HALF-MOON SHAPED CORRIDOR WITH FIVE ROOMS OFF HALF-MOON AND WORKING
FROM EAST TO WEST.) SPECIAL ASSISTANT BEDROOM,
SECRETARY'S SUITE, OFFICE SUITE, SUITE FOR HOLDING ROOM AND
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USSS, SPECIAL ASSISTANT BEDROOM. ALL SUITES CONSISTS OF THREE

ROOMS.

C. EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT STAFF OFFICES, SENIOR STAFF OFFICE, VISITORS' CONTROL ROOM, AND PRESS ROOM WILL BE LOCATED DIRECTLY BELOW AREA DESCRIBED IN (B) ABOVE. AREA CONSISTS OF THREE SUITES AND ONE DOUBLE BEDROOM.

D. BALANCE OF TWENTY-SIX (26) SINGLES ARE LOCATED ON SAME FLOOR AS SECRETARY. DOUBTFUL WE WILL BE ABLE OBTAIN ADDITIONAL ACCOMMODATIONS THIS HOTEL.

3. DUE DIFFICULTIES OBTAINING RENTAL CARS (PRESENTLY PEAK TOURIST SEASON), ADVISE NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS ASST. SECRETARY RANK AND REQUIREMENTS USSS.

4. NEED URGENTLY ARRIVAL INFORMATION ; HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS DESIRED, AND SIZE OF EACH ADVANCE TEAM (USSS, SY, S/S, ETC).

5. SHOULD POST PLAN ON SECRETARY'S ARMoured LIMOUSINE BEING AVAILABLE FOR COSTA RICA?

6. LOCAL ELECTRICITY IS 100 VOLTS/60 CYCLES.

7. FORESEE NO PROBLEMS ON BAGGAGE HANDLINGS REQUIRMENTS.

8. DO NOT EXPECT ANY EXCHANGE OF GIFTS. GIFT OFFICER IS FSO-4 JOHN MAISTO.

9. POST HAS TOTAL SEVEN SECRETARIES, INCLUDING ALL AGENCIES. IS REQUIREMENT INDICATED REFTel MANDATORY OR DESIREABLE? FOR EXAMPLE, DOES TEAM FORESEE NEED SECRETARIES DURING HOURS MIDNIGHT TO 0400? BELIEVE WE CAN PROVIDE SERVICES TWO SECRETARIES BUT WILL HAVE DIFFICULTY WITH SECRETARY ON CALL REQUIREMENT WITHOUT TDY ASSISTANCE.

10. C&R REQUIREMENT IS FOR TOTAL OF THREE TDY TO ARRIVE NO LATER THAN EARLY EVENING FEBRUARY 22.

11. DUE HOTEL CONFIGURATION MUST ESTABLISH MINIMUM THREE MSG POSTS THREE TO SIX HOURS PRIOR ARRIVAL. REQUIRE SIX (6) LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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MSGs ARRIVE SAN JOSE NO LATER THAN EARLY EVENING FEBRUARY 22. WE ARE PRESENTLY LACKING TWO MARINES FROM AUTHORIZED COMPLEMENT.

12. OFFICE EQUIPMENT, TELEPHONE, ETC., WILL BE BEST AVAILABLE. CAN OBTAIN COPY MACHINE.

13. MISCELLANEOUS.

A. RUSH-HOUR TIME BETWEEN HOTEL AND EMBASSY WITHOUT POLICE ESCORT
APPROXIMATELY 25 MINUTES. NON-RUSH HOUR 20 MINUTES.

B. NO KNOWN LOCAL CONDITIONS TO DATE WHICH MIGHT AFFECT VISIT.
NO SPECIAL CLOTHING REQUIREMENTS.

C. S/S LIAISON OFFICER AND INDIVIDUAL RESPONSIBLE FOR
ADMIN ARRANGEMENTS IN DONALD R. SCHOEB. HE WILL BE AVAILABLE
AT PLANESIDE ON ARRIVAL. TODMAN

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